

# THE SHELTON CHRONICLE

*A newsletter for the faculty and staff of Shelton State Community College  
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## **West Alabama Chamber of Commerce and Shelton State Community College Make Joint Announcement**

The Chamber of Commerce of West Alabama and Shelton State Community College announced the formation of a partnership whose purpose will be to develop and implement a plan for workforce development in the West Alabama area. The announcement, along with the official signing of the agreement of the new project, was made on Monday, December 3, at 3 p.m. in the president's conference room on Shelton's Martin Campus.

A steering committee composed of members of the chamber and the college has met over the past year to

develop a mission and goals for the project. One of the first objectives will be to develop a website where employers can find qualified applicants, while at the same time, potential employees can look for available career opportunities.

This project is part of Shelton State's Work Keys initiative and the chamber's School-to-Career grant. ACT Work Keys is used at Shelton State as a tool for workforce development in the community. Through Work Keys, skills needed in the workplace are identified and matched with workers who have the required skills. Workers who do not have the skills required can receive training at Shelton to raise their skill levels. The Work Keys system can improve the hiring process; bridge the employee skills gap, enhance career assessment and preparation, and

improve needed skills in the workplace.

Chairing the taskforce is Dave Rodgers from JVC America and Linda Grote, associate dean of administrative services at Shelton State.

Other members of the taskforce are Woodie Smith, Smith's Machines; Becky Booker; Richard Crawford, Alabama State Employment Agency; Susie Hyde, DCH Regional Medical Center; Russell DuBose, Phifer Wire Products; Mark King, Michelin; and Victoria Perry.

Representing Shelton are: Camille Cochrane, interim dean of instruction; Humphrey Lee, dean of students; Lyda Black, associate dean of technological services; Steve Fair, director of training for business and industry; Johnny Parker, director of human resources; and Evelyn Mettee. Johnnie Aycock and Rick Rogers



are members of the taskforce.

"We are please to partner with the Chamber of Commerce and businesses and industries in this area to promote the importance of technical training and education," said Shelton President Rick Rogers.

**Tuscaloosa  
Community  
Dancers and  
Theatre  
Tuscaloosa  
Present  
NUTCRACKER**

Friday, November 7 at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 8 at 2 and 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 9 at 2 p.m.

This holiday favorite will be held at the Bean-Brown Theatre. Call 391-2277 for tickets.

**JOB SHADOW  
DAY**

Shelton State will again sponsor Job Shadow Day on Friday, February 1, from 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the college. Area high schools participating this

year are Holt High School, Akron High School, and Hillcrest Middle School.

Students from Shelton's Phi Theta Kappa will help with the event this year. Faculty, staff, and administrators at the college are asked to serve as mentors for two and one-half hours that morning. Fran Viselli is again heading up the activities of the day.

Mark your calendars for that date. It's your opportunity to do something really good for students.

**THE SHELTON  
STATE ALUMNI  
ASSOCIATION  
INVITES YOU**

The Shelton State Alumni Association invites you to its annual Christmas Party on Monday evening, December 10, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at Ruby Tuesday located at Merchants Walk (off McFarland Blvd. North) in Tuscaloosa.) For reservations, contact Ronda Shirley, ext. 2252.

**FASHION  
SHOW  
SCHEDULED**

**S**helton State's cosmetology department will present a fashion show Thursday, December 6, from 6 - 7:30 p.m. in room 2255.

Senior cosmetology students participating in the show are Manica Agee, Teresa Bell, Julie Ballinger, Tawanda Chandler, Erica Evans, Raehgan Ham, Sonja Moore, Iris Morse, Genice Quarryles, Christy Stamps, and Nicole Wright.

Narrator for the evening is La Kenya Parker. Decorations are by Erin Phillips and Iris Morse. Coordinator is instructor Annette Bigham.

The style show is free and open to the public.